



Request for Announcement

WHAT: Fire Department Halloween Safety Tips

MORE: For those who celebrate or observe Halloween the San Antonio Fire Department would like to offer the following safety recommendations from the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA):

Halloween Safety Tips

- Purchase only costumes, wigs and props labeled flame-resistant or flame-retardant.
- Provide children with lightweight flashlights to carry for lighting or as part of their costumes.
- Dried flowers, cornstalks and crepe paper are highly flammable. Keep these and other decorations well away from all open flames and heat sources, including light bulbs, heaters, etc.
- Use flashlights when illuminating Jack-o-lanterns.
- Use flashlights as alternatives to candles or torch lights when decorating walkways and yards.
- Instruct children to stay away from open flames or other heat sources.
- Supervise children at all times when near lit candles.
- Remember to keep exits clear of decorations, ensuring nothing blocks escape routes.
- Instruct children who are attending parties at others' homes to locate the exits and plan how they would get out in an emergency.

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